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at least one device implanted in a patient taken out of one of the consumption hubs, and having a wireless communication with the programmer to thereby route device information to the Web-enabled information network.

REMARKS

Claim 7 was objected to because a clean version was not submitted. With this response, a clean copy of claim 7 is presented for consideration.

In consideration of this amendment to claim 7, Applicant submits that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance and requests that a notice of allowance issue in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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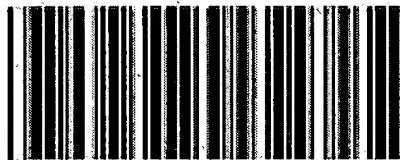
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MARKED-UP VERSION OF CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

7. (Amended) A medical device inventory and production control system synchronous with various phases of product manufacturing for standard, customized and newly approved, modified/redesigned devices and to stock various consumption hubs including hospitals, sales offices, distributors and sales representatives on a just-in-time basis under a build to order and build to replenish production scheme, the system comprising:

a Web-enabled information network being in data communications with manufacturing, shipping/delivery and the various consumption hubs; and

at [lest] least one programmer being in a bi-directional communications link with the Web-enabled information network; and

at least one device implanted in a patient taken out of one of the consumption hubs, and having a wireless communication with the programmer to thereby route device information to the Web-enabled information network.